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SUBJECT: GATT DISCUSSION OF CANADIAN IMPORT QUOTAS ON EGGS

REF: (A) GENEVA 7102; (B) GENEVA 6970 (NOTAL)

1. LUYTEN OF EC COMMISSION CALLED TO REPORT EC CONSIDERS IT "STRANGE" U.S. IS ASKING FOR WP AND NOT PANEL TO RESOLVE DISPUTE ON CANADIAN IMPORT QUOTAS ON EGGS. WE ASKED WHETHER EC PLANNED RAISE SOME OBJECTION TO WP; LUYTEN SAID HE HAD NO IDEA AT THIS TIME.

2. WE REMINDED LUYTEN OF HIS EARLIER INDICATION THAT EC HAD NO OBJECTION TO EARLY COUNCIL MEETING AND AGREED IT DESIRABLE TO USE GATT MACHINERY FOR TIMELY ASSISTANCE IN RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES (REFTEL (B)). LUYTEN SAID EC IS NOT GOING BACK ON EITHER POINT BUT MAY HAVE DIFFICULTIES WITH PROPOSED U.S. METHOD OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACTIVATING DISPUTE-SETTLING MACHINERY. HE NOTED

PANEL IS NORMAL WAY OF PROCEEDING. WE SAID WE
AWARE OF MERITS OF PANELS BUT WISHED MOVE QUICKLY
ON THIS U.S.-CANADIAN EGG ISSUE AND PANELS CAN BE A
LONG TIME IN FORMULATION. LUYTEN ENJOYED THE MOMENT
LARGELY AND TREATED US TO ELABORATE REMINDER OF
DIFFICULTIES IN CONSITUTING DISC PANEL.

3. WE SAID GATT RULES FOR DISPUTE SETTLEMENT ARE FLEXIBLE
CONCERNING PROCEDURES AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT EC WOULD
NOT RAISE OBJECTIONS TO WP IN THIS CASE. LUYTEN
REPEATED THAT HE HAD NO IDEA WHAT THEY WOULD DO;
WE THEN URGED THAT IF EC SHOULD PERCEIVE SOME
OBJECTION WE NOT BE SUDDENLY TOLD ABOUT IT THE NIGHT
BEFORE THE COUNCIL. HE PROMISED DO HIS BEST.
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